

**TOWN OF DUNE ACRES
COUNCIL MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 2009**

The Town of Dune Acres Town Council met for its regular monthly meeting on Tuesday February 17, 2009 at the Town Hall. Council President Louise Roberts called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m., with Council Member John Sullivan, Council Member Jeffrey Swoger, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Sherry King, and Attorney Alan Mindel in attendance. Council President Louise Roberts opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Council Member John Sullivan moved that the minutes for the January 20, 2009 council meeting be approved as presented. Council Member Jeffrey Swoger seconded, and the minutes passed unanimously.

FINANCIAL REPORT AS OF: January 31, 2009

Porter State Bank	\$ 49,513.33
Chase Hgh Yld Svg	140,674.41
Env. Fed. Grant	3,902.36
Any Adjustments	-831.00
Record Balance	\$193,259.10

Council Member John Sullivan moved that the financial report be accepted. Council Member Jeffrey Swoger seconded, and the financial report was accepted unanimously.

**BREAK DOWN OF FINANCES AMONG FUNDS
January 31, 2009**

FUND	BALANCE
GENERAL	\$ 40,941.52
MOTOR VEHICLE HIGHWAY	\$ (8,121.90)
LOCAL ROADS & STREET	\$ 2,991.60
PARK & RECREATION	\$ 28,156.97
DONATIONS	\$ 12,002.73
FedGrant/ROB	\$ 3,072.36
Rainy Day Fund	\$ -
CUMULATIVE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT	\$ 523.68
CUMULATIVE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT	\$ 8,035.64
CEDIT	\$ 7,091.50
LOCAL MAJOR MOVES	\$ 1,408.32
RIVERBOAT REVENUE SHARING	\$ 1,336.16
WATER SALE	\$ 95,820.52
CONSTRUCTION SECURITY DEPOSIT	\$ -
	\$ 193,259.10

PAYMENT OF CLAIMS:

Council Member John Sullivan moved the claims for in the amount of \$41,716.46 be approved. Council Member Jeffrey Swoger seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

There was a discussion on the renewal of "Liquor Liability Policy" for the Club House. It was decided to have the Deputy Clerk-Treasurer to determine if purchasing an event only policy would be less expensive before paying this renewal amount.

CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED:

American Cancer Society "Relay For Life Duneland" kick-off party 2/17/09, 6 pm

Chesterton High School Cafeteria

IACT – Announcing Municipal Government Week, May 11 – 15

Recycling & Waste Reduction – 2009 Calendar of events.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS:

BUILDING: Lou Mellen

Lou gave an update on the various building projects going on in the town. There is a report in the clerk-treasurer's office.

MAINTENANCE: Dick Taylor

Dick commented that not much is being done during this time of year. Things will start going again sometime in March when the weather permits.

POLICE: Cecilia Call

Cecilia reported that Dune Acres is very fortunate that the Security system (officers, lights, cameras) is working so well.

ENGINEER: Irv Call

Irv reported that the Security Office VCR had to be repaired and is up and working again. He reported the pump house is working with no trip outs. The system is in good shape. A test of the sprinkler system should be done sometime in the spring. Irv said Harold King has a proposal for fixing the front doors at the Club House.

ENVIRONMENT: Barb Plampin for Cathy Bomberger

Barbara reported that the Coastal Grant has passed stage 1. Final decision should be in June. A Garlic Mustard Pull is being planned for March or April before the regular Town Clean Up held in May.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

LIGHTING:

Security Lighting Workshop, Saturday, February 21, 2009 at 10 am at the Town Hall.

DEER:

John Sullivan reported the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore (IDNL) has acknowledged there is an overpopulation of deer. You can read their 109 page report online at

<http://parkplanning.nps.gov>

On Thursday, March 12 from 5pm – 8pm there will be an open house to review the Deer Management Plan/Environment Impact Study at the IDNL Visitor Center, 49 & Munson Road in Porter.

Council President Louise Roberts thanked Bob Evans for the fine edition of the “Beach Comber”.

OLD BUSINESS

With regards to the Heenan Land Donation our Attorney is waiting for the deed from the county.

NEW BUSINESS

Dune Acres resident Mark Phelps has donated a 1982 GMC Extended bed pickup to the town. Council Member John Sullivan moved we accept the donation. Council Member Jeffrey Swoger seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Beginning in March the Town Council wants to meet with the commissioners on Monday evenings beginning at 7pm. Please contact the clerk-treasurer’s office for an appointment.

Council Member John Sullivan moved to retain Dan Whitten as the Town Attorney. Council Member Jeffrey Swoger seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

LOU ROBERTS, Town Council President

JOHN SULLIVAN, Town Council Member

JEFFREY SWOGER, Town Council Member

SHERRY A KING, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer